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Competitive Price Changes

Docket No. CP2022-22

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(Issued November 19, 2021)

To clarify the Postal Service's notice of changes in rates of general applicability for Competitive products, filed November 10, 2021,¹ the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following questions. The responses are due no later than December 1, 2021.

- 1. The draft Mail Classification Schedule language attached to the Notice defines USPS Connect Local as: "Line-of-travel package pickup and next day or same day delivery within a specified service area available to mailers who use specifically authorized postage payment methods and, pursuant to a customer agreement on file with the Postal Service, enter packages at a designated destination delivery unit or other equivalent facility." Notice, Attachment to Governors' Decision 21-6, § 2115.4.
 - a. Please define "Line-of-travel package pickup."
 - Please define "specified service area" and specify the criteria the Postal
 Service will use to determine if a Parcel Select package qualifies for USPS
 Connect Local.

¹ USPS Notice of Changes in Rates of General Applicability for Competitive Products, November 10, 2021 (Notice).

- c. Please confirm that a USPS Connect Local package must have an origin and a destination that are served by the same delivery unit.
- d. Please describe the anticipated content of the customer agreements required to obtain USPS Connect Local service, including the anticipated degree of variation, if any, between contracts for individual customers.
- e. Please describe the end-to-end process for the acceptance and delivery of USPS Connect Local packages.
- Please provide projected volume, revenue, and cost data for USPS Connect
 Local or specify where that data can be found in the financial workpapers filed in
 support of the Notice.
- Please confirm that the submitted financial analyses for Parcel Select destination delivery unit (DDU); Priority Mail Express zones Local, 1, and 2; and Priority Mail zones Local, 1, and 2 reflect expected diversion into USPS Connect Local. If not confirmed, please provide updated financial analyses that include expected diversion.
 - a. Please specify the percentage of total FY 2020 Parcel Select volume estimated to potentially qualify as USPS Connect Local.
 - b. Please specify the percentage of total FY 2020 Parcel Select DDU volume estimated to potentially qualify as USPS Connect Local.
 - c. Please specify the percentage of total Priority Mail Express zones Local,1, and 2 volume estimated to potentially qualify as USPS Connect Local.
 - d. Please specify the percentage of total Priority Mail zones Local, 1, and 2 volume estimated to potentially qualify as USPS Connect Local.

By the Chairman.